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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999-13404 BIOTECHDS

TITLE: Mouse and human **telomerase** RNA gene promoters,
useful for tumor specific gene therapy;
vector plasmid pGT62-codAupp-mediated thymidine-kinase
gene transfer and expression in host cell and antisense
oligonucleotide for cancer therapy

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AB A nucleic acid molecule (NAM) (I) which consists of a **telomerase** RNA (TR) gene **promoter**, is new. Also claimed are: a NAM with **promoter** activity which is capable of hybridizing to the complementary sequence of (I) under stringent conditions; a nucleic acid construct containing TR **promoter** region or a fragment, mutant, allele derivative or variant able to promote transcription, operably linked to a heterologous gene, a vector or host cell containing (I) or the nucleic acid construct; culturing of the host cells; screening for the ability of a substance to modulate the activity of the TR **promoter**; a substance with the ability to modulate TR **promoter** activity; and a system for control of cancer which involves a vector of other delivery system capable of selectively infecting tumor cells, which contains (I) operably linked to either DNA or RNA encoding an enzyme. The TR gene **promoter** may be linked to a heterologous gene, especially one encoding a **cytotoxin**, for cancer therapy. Antisense oligonucleotides may also be used for cancer gene therapy, especially using vector plasmid pGT62-codAupp, which contains virus thymidine-kinase (EC-2.7.1.21) and (I). (89pp)

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:408788 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 136:398184

TITLE: Method of producing differentiated cells suitable for human therapy using negative selection of undifferentiated cells

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PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Geron Corporation, USA

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AB This invention provides a system for producing differentiated cells from a

stem cell population by depleting relatively undifferentiated cells. A heterogeneous cell population is treated with a vector that puts a lethal or potentially lethal effector gene under control a transcriptional element (such as the TERT promoter) that causes the gene to be expressed in the relatively undifferentiated cell subpopulation.

Expression of the effector gene results in depletion of undifferentiated cells, or expression of a marker that can be used to remove them later.

Suitable effector sequences encode a toxin, a protein that induces apoptosis, a cell-surface antigen, or an enzyme (such as thymidine

kinase)

that converts a prodrug into a substance that is lethal to the cell. The differentiated cell populations produced according to this disclosure are suitable for use wherever a relatively homogeneous cell population is desirable, such as in tissue regeneration, and non-therapeutic applications such as drug screening.

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: 133:160584

TITLE: Regulatory elements of the telomerase reverse transcriptase gene and their use in the expression of genes in proliferating cells

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AB **Telomerase** reverse transcriptase is part of the **telomerase** complex responsible for maintaining **telomere** length and increasing the replicative capacity of progenitor cells. **Telomerase** activity is turned off in mature differentiated cells, but is turned back on again in hyperplastic diseases, including many cancers. This disclosure provides regulatory elements that promote transcription in cells that express **telomerase** reverse transcriptase (TERT). Oncolytic viruses are described, in which a toxin or a genetic element essential for viral replication is placed under control of the TERT **promoter**. As a result, the virus replicates preferentially in cells expressing TERT, and selectively lyse cancer cells. The viral constructs of this invention hold considerable promise for the treatment of previously intractable malignancies. Expression of the gene is strongly induced by direct interaction between c-Myc protein and the **promoter** at an E box. The **promoter** can therefore be used to drive expression of cytotoxic genes in